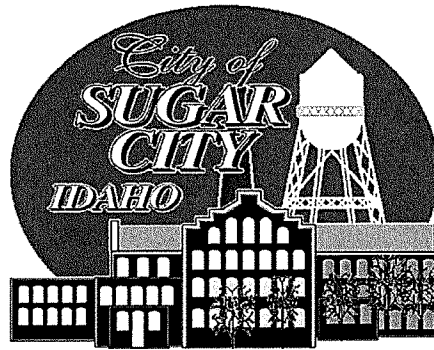


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OCTOBER 2017

Sept 25 – Oct 6 – Harvest Break

Oct 5 – Planning & Zoning Meeting @ 7 p.m.

**October 9 – Columbus Day
City Office Closed**

**Oct 12 – City Council Meeting
@ 6:30 p.m.**

Oct 16 – City Clean-up begins

Oct 19 – Planning & Zoning Meeting & Public Hearing @ 7 p.m.

Oct 26 – City Council Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.

Oct 31 - Halloween

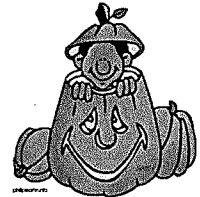
DATES TO REMEMBER:

Nov 2 – Planning & Zoning Meeting @ 7 p.m.

Nov 5 – Daylight Savings Ends

Nov 7 – *Water Bond & City Elections*****

HAPPY HALLOWEEN!



YMCA SURVEY: Please go to the city's website sugarcityidaho.gov and take the YMCA Survey. The YMCA would like the community's input concerning the needs of the city for a recreational facility. Please call 208-356-7561 for more information.

*****Water Bond & City Elections*****

**Please mark your calendar to come out and vote on November 7 for the Water Bond and other City Elections.
Let your voice be heard!!**

PUBLIC HEARING: A public hearing will be held on Thursday, October 19, 2015 at 7 p.m. at Sugar City Hall regarding changes to the Land Use Schedule, Definitions and Map. For more information please contact us at city hall.

WATER METERS: Last meter reading of this year will be taken at the end of this month. To help save money, stop outdoor watering by **October 31st**.

UTILITY FEE INCREASE: Utility fees for water & sewer will increase starting in October. The base fee for customers with a ¾" meter is going up from \$23.84 per month to \$34.00. The sewer rate is going up .15¢ per thousand gallons of usage. You will notice the increase on your November billing. Please call if you have questions.

CITY WIDE CLEAN-UP: The date for city clean-up to begin is October 16th. Please do not put items out on the roads or alleys more than **one week** ahead of time. If you have items that you need to discard before the city clean-up, please note that we have a dumpster on the west side of Silo Park off of North Front & C Street. Please follow these guidelines for items to be removed or placed in the dumpster.

Due to regulations, we cannot pick up:

- leaves and grass clippings unless they are bagged,
- large remodeling materials, roofing, large pieces of concrete and tires,
- hazardous waste such as paint, chemicals, batteries, & used oil.

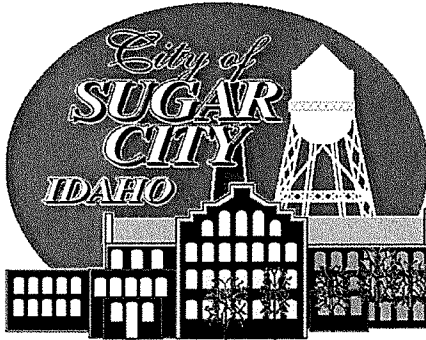
Please do not fill alleys after city clean-up until the week before the next clean-up in the spring. Storing debris is a violation of city code 3-1-13:A.



ALLEY CLUTTER: We have noticed that many of the city alleys are being used to park campers, trailers, fire wood and other debris. Please remember that these city easements are for utility services, city equipment and emergency equipment only.

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October 4, 2017

Dear City Residents,

We held our final Town Hall Meeting on the new water project in September. I appreciate both those who came to the meetings, and Randy Johnson from Forsgren Engineering for making the presentation. This new water project is very important to the health and safety of Sugar City. I would encourage all of you to become informed as to the facts surrounding this need. In an effort to do this I am enclosing with this letter a copy of a Fact Sheet that will provide a summary of those facts. Please contact us with any questions or need for further information you might have.

Not only will we be voting on the water project on November 7th, but we will be voting on three city council seats. One seat is for a two-year term, and the other two are for four-year terms. This is a very important election and I would encourage all of you to become acquainted with the candidates who are running for office. Since Sugar City is facing some very important issues, not the least of which is the future growth and direction of the city, please come out and make your voices heard.

The candidates are as follows:

Two Year Seat:	Brent Barrus	Joy Ball
Four Year Seats:	Greg Venema Bruce King	John Galbraith (write-in candidate) Vaun Waddell

Thanks for making this a great place to live. COME OUT TO VOTE ON NOVEMBER 7TH !!

Sincerely,

David D. Ogden, Mayor

City of Sugar City

Water System Improvements

Question #1: What does the water improvement project include?

- Construction of a new tank
- Construction of a new well
- Distribution improvements
- Construction of secondary irrigation improvements

Question #2: Why do we need improvements to our water system?

- **Construct a New Tank:** A new tank is needed to provide sufficient storage volume to meet minimum fire flow requirements, as dictated by the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality.
- **Construct a New Well:** A new well is needed to provide sufficient flow/pressure to meet current and future demands, and to meet minimum fire flow requirements.
- **Distribution Improvements:** An inaccessible water line beneath the Kershaw Intermediate School needs to be relocated so it can be properly maintained. Installation of radio read units on water meters that don't currently have them is intended to improve operations efficiency and decrease operations cost through improved leak detection and meter access.
- **Provide Secondary Irrigation:** Installation of a secondary irrigation system will decrease the demand on City wells by using canal water to irrigate city parks, as encouraged by the Idaho Department of Water Resources.

Question #3: How much will it cost?

- The estimated project cost is \$3,900,000.

Question #4: How much will this cost me?

- The current monthly base rate for water service is \$34.00/ERU (Equivalent Residential User). With the proposed project, the typical base rate for an average residential user is anticipated to increase by \$11-\$12 per month.

Question #5: Will developers pay their fair share?

- Yes. Per City Resolution 2016-8, passed October 1, 2016, the City of Sugar City charges new developments a fee of \$3,400 per connection which goes directly into the City's capital reserve fund to pay for their portion of this project. In addition, the City is negotiating with the developers of Old Farm Estates and River Bend Ranch to provide upfront cash investment of up to \$500,000, which could reduce the needed bond amount.

Question #6: Why is a Bond election necessary?

- The bond election is necessary to provide the City with the necessary funds to bring the water system into compliance and to meet federal and state regulations. The city of Sugar City will seek approval to bond for up to \$3,700,000 to provide funding for these upgrades. The bond election will be on November 7, 2017.

Question #7: Where will the money come from?

Sugar City Reserves	\$200,000
Investment from Developers	\$500,000
Construction Loan*	\$3,200,000
Total Funding	\$3,900,000

*This is a target construction loan amount. The City will seek approval to bond for \$3,700,000 so that the necessary improvements can still be completed if construction costs exceed preliminary estimates.

Question #8: What if we don't pass the bond?

- The City will remain out of compliance with federal and state standards and will be unable to provide the required fire flow for protection of facilities within the City.